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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
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For: **Use of a Baculovirus to Express an Exogenous Gene in a Mammalian Cell**  
Inventor: Frederick M. Boyce  
Our Ref: 0609.4970003/EEF/TAC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Status Inquiry letter; and
2. One (1) return postcard.

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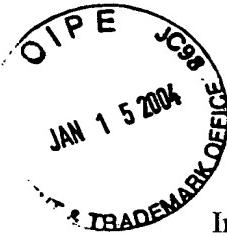
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Please advise the undersigned of the present status of the above-identified patent application.

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